

THE HONORABLE JOHN C. COUGHENOUR

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

IN RE ZILLOW GROUP, INC.
SECURITIES LITIGATION

CASE NO. C17-1387-JCC

ORDER

This matter comes before the Court on the parties' stipulated motion to seal (Dkt. No. 140). The Court starts from the position that "[t]here is a strong presumption of public access to [its] files." W.D. Wash. Local Civ. R. 5(g)(3); *see Nixon v. Warner Commc'ns, Inc.*, 435 U.S. 589, 597 (1978). To overcome that presumption, the movant must show that there are "compelling reasons" to seal the documents at issue. *See Ctr. for Auto Safety v. Chrysler Grp., LLC*, 809 F.3d 1092, 1101 (9th Cir. 2016) (holding that the "compelling reasons" standard applies to any motion that "is more than tangentially related to the merits of a case"). The Court finds compelling reasons to seal the documents at issue, which contain "confidential" and "highly confidential" information, pursuant to the stipulated protective order governing discovery (Dkt. No. 76). Further, redacted versions of the documents have been filed with the Court. (Dkt. Nos. 144, 145.) Accordingly, the Court GRANTS the motion to seal (Dkt. No. 140) and DIRECTS the Clerk to maintain Docket Numbers 141, 142, 142-1, 142-2, 142-3, 142-4,

1 142-5, and 142-6 under seal until further order of the Court.

2 DATED this 1st day of June 2022.

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7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE
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